

over the same route last winter.

This is despite heavy losses. Gone are those 4-year veterans, Bob Reiter and Med Park, plus Lloyd Elmore, a fine backline defender. There also is the absence of a lad named Win Wilfong, who elected to further his education at Memphis State when mustered out of service last spring. Had he returned to Columbia as was anticipated, the Tigers would have the most prolific set of guards in league history. He is the nation's tenth-ranked scorer at the moment with a 27.7 average.

An All-Around Cager.

On paper, at least, Missouri doesn't look as potent as last year's club which was favored to win the conference flag, but finished two games behind Colorado. But Stewart, a smooth 6-4, 199-pounder who can rebound, pass and defend as well as shoot, is one of those rare competitors who can life an entire club. Could be the Tigers will arrive in the throne room a year before schedule.

Oddly, Missouri is one of the few league teams not endowed with a genuine big man in the pivot. Denny, at 6-5½, is the tallest regular. However it does not list a single midget, even in the backline, and is resplendent with brawn, which has come to be an important item under the boards. Denny scales 223. His replacement, John Stephens, is 6-5¼ by 207. Ron-sick weighs 194; Reichert 180; Ross 183; Smith 182, and Roger Engelhoff, best prospect off last year's frosh, 189.

Stalcup was concerned at the outset over the pivot, from where the 6-9 Reiter led team scoring last year on an 18.0 average and topped the rebound department as well. Off early in-